

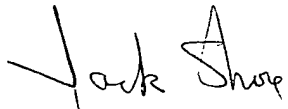
REMARKS

Claims 25 through 56 are the only claims in this application currently under consideration. The other claims have either been cancelled or withdrawn. In the instant amendment we have cancelled Claim 25 and have amended Claims 34 and 47 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions that are very much appreciated. The other claims under rejection, Claims 35 and 48, depend from Claims 34 and 47 and are thus believed to be allowable.

Accordingly, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance and such action is solicited.

If any problems remain, please feel free to contact Jack Shore at (312) 521-2778.

Respectfully submitted,

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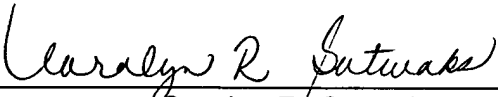
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